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- [X] No additional fee is required.
- [] A check for \$.00 to cover the filing fee and the cost of recording the assignment is enclosed.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Account No. 17-0055. An extra copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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